

## ABSTRACT

A cover layer 21 made of a first transparent resin is formed on outer peripheries of bulbs 25 of plural fluorescent lamps 20 of a backlight 10 for liquid crystal display. The fluorescent lamps 20 are enclosed in the holder member 22 made of a second transparent resin so as to be juxtaposed with each other. The first transparent resin has lower hardness than that of the second transparent resin so as to absorb stresses applied to the fluorescent lamp 20. The first transparent resin has greater heat resistance than that of the second transparent resin so as to suppress alternation such as yellowing due to heat generated by the fluorescent lamps 22.